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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

CORNELIUS BORST *ET AL.*

Invention:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TEMPORARILY  
IMMOBILIZING A LOCAL AREA OF TISSUE

Application No. 08/915,678

Filed August 21, 1997

Examiner: Robert L. Nasser, Jr.

Supplemental Response Under 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The Amendment filed October 13, 1998 did not properly indicate the amendments to claim 27 with underlining, as required. It also presented claim 32 as if it had been amended, but in fact it was not. Claim 27 is properly presented below. I apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

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1 27. (Amended) The method of claim 26 [wherein] in which the step of accessing a surface of the heart  
2 comprises [a cutting] providing access through an intercostal space.

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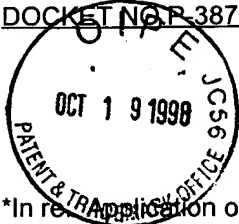
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If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

\*In re Application of: Cornelius Borst et al

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:** I hereby certify that this **Response and Transmittal** and the paper(s), as described herein, are being sent via Regular Mail, addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 16th of October 1998.

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Kathleen A. Paron

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

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Applicant hereby petitions for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 for extension fee \_\_\_\_\_ and filing additional claims fee of \_\_\_\_\_ **FOR A TOTAL OF** \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing to maintain pendency. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, if an extension of time is required, the need for an extension of time.

Date

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